purview of the Staff Selection Board, in view of the long service and the service within the Municipality that he has put in, sometimes the Chairman might recommend him for special treatment and the Government might sanction it in very exceptional cases.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* So far as that appointment is concerned, the percentage of the various communities will be affected.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* I cannot deny that it will affect the percentage to a certain extent. Now the position is all these are classed under menials and promotions from the menial establishment to the ministerial establishment is strictly prohibited, so that hereafter I do not think that this question will arise. Hereafter this question will have only an academic interest, because there will be no promotions of menials to posts within the purview of the Board. Such promotions are now also positively discouraged.

RUBBISH HEAPS NEAR THE TWO TANKS IN WARD No. IV, TRICHUR

34. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether in the vicinity of the two tanks in or near Ward No. IV of the Trichur Town rubbish is being heaped;

(*b*) if so, how long has it been done;

(*c*) does not the rubbish heap act as a breeding ground for bacteria and give out bad smell?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) For the last 10 years.

(*c*) Particular care is taken to see that the place does not become a breeding ground for bacteria by immediate and timely removal of the rubbish in lorries.

There is, however, a proposal to shift the rubbish depot from this locality.

REFERENDUM WHEN IMPOSING FRESH TAXES

35. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will Government be pleased to state whether it is the intention or policy of Government to take referendum of the locality when fresh taxes are to be imposed and then to decide the question?

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